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SPORTS

Vikings hit 10 three-pointers in 65-35 victory vs. Roscommon



The Grayling Vikings scored 30 of their 65 points with 10 three-pointers five by Scott Parkinson and five by Jake Swander – during last Tuesday's varsity boys basketball game vs. the visiting Roscommon Bucks, a contest that the Vikings won by 30, 65-35. It was the season opener for both teams.

. "I was very pleased with the defensive intensity that our team showed in this game," Coach Rich Moffit said. "Roscommon is picked to finish at the top the (Jack Conference) and this was a good opening night challenge for us." Page 1B

Wrestling team starts year with two wins at **Ogemaw**



The Grayling High School wrestling team opened its 2012-2013 season with defeating two wins, Gladwin and Houghton Lake in a four-team meet hosted by Ogemaw Heights

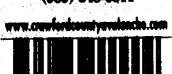
High School on Wednesday. Grayling started its season with a battle vs. the Flying G's of Gladwin. In the first weight class of the contest - 189 pounds - Jeff Myers won 10-8 (in overtime) for the Vikings. Logan Duvall (215) won by default. The Vikings led 9-0. Page 1B

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Deputies seek suspect for sexual assault

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies are seeking tips that will lead to a perpetrator accused of sexually assaulting a woman on Dec. 4.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said deputies responded to the River Country Motor Lodge

for a sexual assault complaint at 6:06 p.m. on Tuesday.

Deputies learned that a 22-yearold female was walking her dog on the property between the River Country Motor Lodge and Timberly Village when she was sexually assaulted.

white male, approximately 5'8" to 6'2", wearing blue jeans, a dark colored hooded sweatshirt with his hood over his head.

At this time, deputies are following up with possible leads and encourage anyone with information to contact Detective Sgt. John The suspect was described as a McDonald or Deputy John Klepadlo

at the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

The tip line number is (989) 344-3228 or via e-mail at tips@crawfordsheriff.org.

Deputies were assisted by a Michigan State Police K9 unit and the Grayling City Police.



EVENT RAISES MONEY FOR MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING

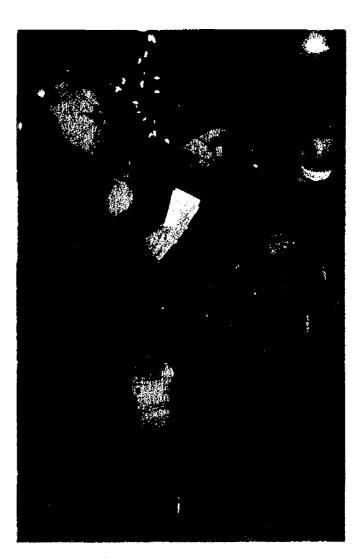
The Lights of Love ceremony was held on Dec. 6, raising over \$3,700 to date, and gifts are still welcome.

Donors paid to have a light on the Christmas tree outside the hospital in honor of a loved one. During the ceremony Santa visited and the Auxiliary led everyone in Christmas carols. Following the ceremony, guests gathered in the hospital cafeteria for cookies and refreshments.

Earlier in the day, the Auxiliary held a cookie contest for hospital employees and the cookies were donated for the Lights of Love ceremony.

Also, the Auxiliary presented a check to Lori Wightman, Chief Nursing Officer, for \$16,667 as a payment on the Auxiliary's \$100,000 pledge for renovations and medical equipment upgrades to inpatient units.





Above: Pat Tundo, left, auxiliary member and event organizer for over 10 years, with Coye Taylor, center, and Ruth Cruz, right, both auxiliary members who combined have volunteered with Mercy for over 50 years, participated in the Lights of Love program. Left: People participate in the Lights of Love ceremony. Top: Taylor, Santa, and Cruz flipped the switch to illuminate the tree with the "lights of love" on it.

Michigan State Police are investigating fatal shooting

The Michigan State Police are investigating a fatal shooting that occurred within the City of Traverse

The incident began with a police pursuit after a 56 year old Oscoda man fled

County Deputies during a patrol stop in Crawford County.

The man led police on a pursuit from Crawford County into Grand Traverse County that ended in the front yard of a residence in Traverse City. The man exited his vehicle and confronted police with a high-powered rifle.

Officers from Crawford County Sheriff's Office and the Traverse City Police Department fired at

the man, fatally wounding him. No officers were injured.

Personnel from the Michigan State Police Cadillac Post are investigat-

ing the incident. Involved in the pursuit were patrol units from Crawford, Kalkaska and Grand Traverse Counties. the Traverse City Police Department and the Houghton Lake State Police Post.



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Out of the over 4,000 schools in the State of Michigan, only 200 schools were recognized as Reward Schools for displaying high academic achievement and progress sustained over a three year period.

The State of Michigan also released a different award called "Beating the Odds." A Beating the Odds school is identified for outperforming their peer schools academically and outshining expectations. Both GHS and GMS were honored by the State this

Last year, only 12 other districts across the State besides CASD had multiple schools that were honored as Beating the Odds. Last year both GMS and Grayling Elementary School received the honors. This year, CASD also had multiple schools honored this year with both GHS and GMS.

Grayling High School has received numerous honors. GHS was one of only 76 schools that were both named a Reward School and a Beating the Odds School. These honors were added to the national ranking of GHS by the prestigious national College Board which named them to their honor roll for exceeding the national passing rate on Advanced Placement courses and by having a higher number of students taking the challenging and difficult curriculum.

U.S. News and World Report has also recognized GHS for multiple years as being a top-performer amongst high schools in the United States.

"I am extremely proud of our students and staff," said Superintendent Powers. "For our small, northern Michigan school district to continue to receive national and State recognition is impressive. remarkably GHS was one of 539 schools across the entire nation to receive this recognition from the independent College Board."

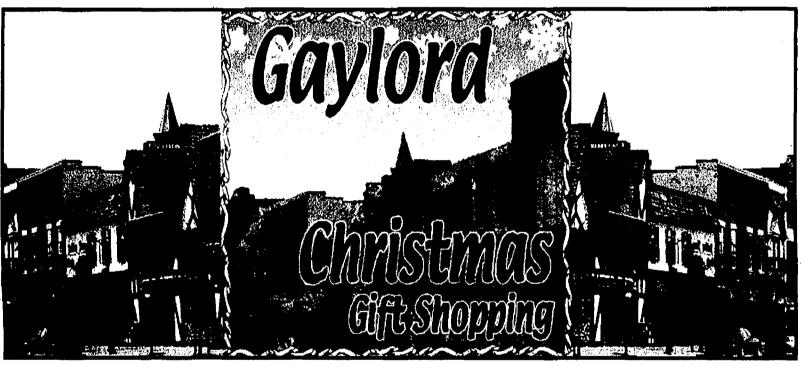










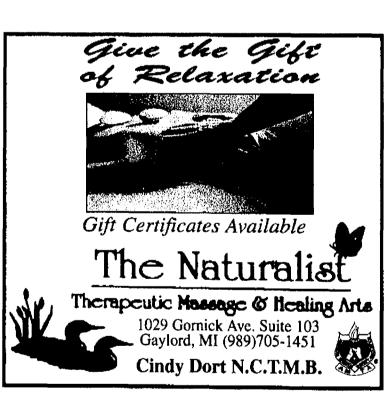












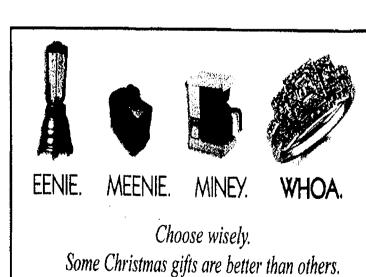


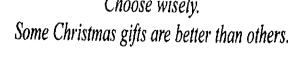
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The Wacky Wayward Women quilters have made a difference this holiday season for local young people by making pillowcases for the Toys For Tots program. Above Nancy Schwalm and Georgette Oliver team up on the serger to assemble pillowcases.

Photo courtesy of Judy Clyma

Quilters make a difference this holiday season

Visions of sugarplums, butterflies, footballs, cars, and whitetail deer can dance through the heads of many young people this year, through the creative efforts of a group of volunteers from the Icehouse Quilt Shop.

The Wacky Wayward Women, a small group of quilters who meet for retreats three times a year, wanted to give something to the community. Besides donating money to the Christian Help Center, the seamstresses brainstormed other ways they could create a benefit for others. So they pooled their stashes, coordinated some other fabrics from the Icehouse Quilt Shop, and made over 70 unique pillowcases to donate to the Toys For Tots program this year.

Frederic man dies after crash

by Dan SandersonStaff Writer

A 26-year-old Frederic man died after he failed to negotiate a curve on an Antrim County road and struck several trees.

The Antrim County Sheriff's Office is investigating a single-car crash, which occurred around 6:50 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4 on Old State Road about 500 feet west of M-66 in Jordan Township, said Antrim County Sheriff Daniel S. Bean.

Adam Wayne Morris, who lived in the Frederic area, was driving a late model Chevy Malibu, when he failed to negotiate a curve and struck several trees. Morris was pronounced dead at the scene, Bean said.

A seat belt was not worn and it is unknown if alcohol was involved at the time of the accident, Bean said.

A dog was rescued from the vehicle and taken to the Antrim County Animal Shelter, Bean said.

Deputies were assisted by the East Jordan Ambulance Service and the East Jordan Fire Department. Their marathon sewing ing experience that the their giving activities at session was such a reward- women decided to continue every retreat.





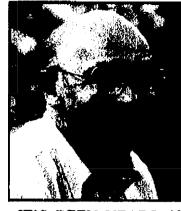
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Almanack

by Richard Milliman

This year's "lame duck" lamer than most

IT'S BEEN YEARS, if at all, that the Michigan Legislature in a lame duck mode has bitten off the size of lawmaking chunks as it has chosen to handle this year.

Usually the time between electing legislators in November and ending the work for the past two legislative years by New Year's Eve is filled with essential but dull bits of governmental housekeeping.

Certain matters begun earlier in the two year session need to be concluded before the next two year session gets underway in January. In many cases, those items could be delayed a few weeks, too, but finishing them during the two-year session in which they were started is just neater that way.

Not this year.

In its collective wisdom, the Republican governor and the Republican leadership of the house and senate decided to open and then nail down the lid on probably the biggest pot of political

worms possible. Right to Work legislation in Michigan is all of

HOW COME the issue had to be answered now?

Michigan voters have just been through a very tough exercise at the polls when called upon to decide the fate of five proposed constitutional amendments, the most contentious of which centered on outlawing Right to Work as part of our state constitution.

Tens of millions of dollars were spent during the campaign trying to convince voters one way or the other, with unions and Democrats pushing for Proposal No. 2, and business and Republicans pushing against it.

The proposal lost, and so did labor-Democrat hopes of outlawing Right to Work and embedding union rights in the state constitution.

Having scored a large victory at the November election by defeat-

ing the Democratic-labor proposed amendments. Right to Work forces must have decided now was the time to solidify their position ... to strike while the iron still steamed.

Only a month later, Republicans dragged out the question again, this time to establish Right to Work as a state law, and using what has become the standard Republican method of adopting laws in Michigan.

THE SYSTEM HAS worked like this, as far as I can tell by looking at how laws have been made these days:

Legislative leaders, along with the governor, decide on a course of action, get everything lined up behind closed doors, nail down enough party support to assure adoption, then dump the package on the floor of house or senate, and secure passage in the minimum time required by legislative rules.

Usually house and senate Republicans adopt similar bills dealing with the same subject, so they can proceed to completion in whichever chamber has the clearer road.

Committee hearings? Public input? In depth discussion on the floor? Who needs all that detail stuff. Somehow the public - and the opposition party – have a right to feel left out of the public process of making new laws.

That's what happened in the lame duck session with the Right to Work legislation, as it has happened to taxes, budget items, spending cuts, and most other significant legislation since Gov. Rick Snyder and Republican majorities in state house and senate have been in charge.

The system has been efficient, but avoids the fresh air that more public involvement could produce. Open meetings are required by law, too.

RIGHT TO WORK is not the only item that could be considered by this year's lame ducks.

Changes in personal property tax laws are pending.

More effective ways to handle the state's role in helping cities and school districts avert bankruptcy are up in the air.

An Education Achievement Authority pends. So does establishing a state Health Exchange program.

bitterness, animosity, The extreme partisanship and promises of payback created by consideration of Right to Work could be a long time in healing.

The wise course for this year's lame ducks would be to lock up and go home, before any more damage can be done.

There's always next year.

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Viewpoint

By Dr. Loretta Lee, with Michigan Veterinary Specialists

Winter safety tips for pets

As the cold days of winter come upon us, Michigan Veterinary Specialists recommends taking certain precautions to ensure your pet doesn't suffer from cold-temperature related injuries.

Dr. Loretta Lee, an emergency veterinarian with Michigan Veterinary Specialists in Southfield, offered this advice:

 Antifreeze is highly toxic to people and animals. Cats and dogs are attracted to its sweet smell and taste, and will often sample some if left out in a container or spilled on the garage floor. If you suspect that your pet has come into contact with antifreeze, contact your veterinarian immediately. The success of treatment to antifreeze exposure depends on quick action.

 Dogs and cats get frostbite. Any dog or cat who is exposed to very cold temperatures for more than brief periods of time can develop frostbite. If pets begin to shiver or their ears, tail, and feet show signs of frostbite such as redness in the early stages and pale, white or patches in more advanced cases of frostbite, bring them inside immediately.

 Similar to when it is hot outside, never leave your pet alone in a car during cold weather either. In the winter, a car holds in the cold like a refrigerator and your pet could potentially freeze to death.

• When outside, ice and can accumulate between your pet's toes causing irritation and pain. In addition, de-icers that are used to clear roadways, sidewalks and driveways can cause a lot of irritation to their paws. Worse, pets can become ill if they lick these chemicals off of their feet. Prevent these issues by rinsing and/or wiping your pet's feet when they come in from being outdoors. If possible, purchase pet-safe salted-icers for your entry-

 Especially in the winter, when ice and snow can mask scents and pets can more easily lose their way, it is important that they always wear identification

• Much like humans, damp and cold weather can aggravate symptoms associated with arthritis in dogs and cats. If your pet is having trouble getting up or laying down, walking the stairs, or has started to cry when being picked up, a visit to the veterinarian is in order. Never medicate your dog or cat with human prescriptions or over-thecounter medications without consulting your veterinarian first. Most of them are toxic for pets; numerous arthritis treatments are available for them. Also, your dog or cat deserves a comfortable bed. Several pet and feed stores carry safe heated floor mats or non-electric warm bedding.

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 Pets need to have fresh water at all times. If you leave water outside for your pets, be sure it is does not

· Outdoors on cold days. animals may seek shelter near something warm like a car engine. If an animal is near the engine when the car is started, serious injury can occur.

 Starting a car to warm it up in a garage will trap carbon monoxide. It can only take a few minutes for a small pet to die in a sealed garage with a car running.

 Ponds, rivers and lakes are hazardous for pets in winter as the ice covering them may not be solid. There may be thicker ice at the shoreline, but it may be too thin to hold up a pet or person further out. Keep pets and people away from such dangers. If they do fall in, call for help quickly! Unfortunately, people trying to rescue their best friends can endanger themselves as well.

"Your family veterinarian is your first line of defense when an emergency occurs. Keep contact information readily available at home and on your cell phone contacts list. If your pet is experiencing a medical emergency and taking your pet to your family veterinarian isn't practical, doctors from Michigan Veterinary Specialists are always standing by to help," said Dr. Lee.

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Viewpoint

By Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

Safe winter driving tips

With the Federal Emergency . Management Agency (FEMA) citing traffic accidents as the leading cause of death during winter storms, the Crawford Sheriff's Office is reminding travelers that despite adverse conditions, many accidents can be avoided.

"What a lot of people need to understand is that a high percentage of traffic fatalities are a result of poor decision-making," Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield. "In bad weather, it may come down to something as simple as postponing travel for a day. If you do have to brave the elements then watch your speed, don't try to drive too far if you're tired, and make sure your vehicle is equipped with the necessary equipment for the conditions. Most importantly, always wear safety belts and never get behind the wheel after having too much to drink."

In 2011, nearly 834 people were killed and 52, 487 were injured in crashes where the driver had been drinking alcohol. Despite statistics showing that seat belt usage in the U.S. has increased over the years with about 4 out of every 5 travelers now buckling up, there is still room for improvement. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that if all drivers and passengers wore seatbelts, approximately 8,000 lives a year would be spared nationwide.

With the early arrival of winter weather Sheriff Wakefield suggests the following safety tips for safe

Winter driving tips: · Check your tires, engine oil, antifreeze, and brakes

 Buckle up, and make sure your passengers do

before embarking on a trip.

 Reduce speed in snow, sleet, and rain.

 Allow yourself plenty of braking space in wet weath-

 Lightly pump your brakes on wet roads when slowing the vehicle

 Never venture down unplowed roads.

· Avoid distractions such as talking on your cell phone or eating.

• Keep headlights on & use low beams in fog.

• Listen to the radio for information on local road and weather conditions.

 Pull off the road if you're tired or if outside conditions worsen.

• If you break down, don't venture more than 100 yards from your vehicle to seek help.

Things to include in your vehicle during Winter driving:

 Map of the area where you're traveling

Water

• Flashlight (with extra batteries)

light) Snowbrush and ice-

Candle (for heat and

scraper

• Package of cat litter (for

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• Spare tire

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• Hats, weather proof gloves and boots, and a heavy blanket

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Briefs

COA to host GMS choir concert

The COA (Commission on Aging) 308 Lawndale St., Grayling, will host the GMS 8th grade choir for a 45 minute concert on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. There will be classic Christmas arrangements and will include some audience participation. There is no admission for this concert.

Toys for Tots collections being held

Toys for Tots is collecting toys for needy children. Drop off unwrapped toys at the collection box located at the Grayling Senior Center or various businesses around town including the Chamber of Commerce. Monetary donations may be made payable to Toys for Tots and mailed to Linda Northrop, Coordinator, P.O. Box 527, Grayling, MI 49738. The deadline is Dec. 15.

Church to hold concert

Bear Lake Christian Church will hold their Christmas concert on Dec. 16, at 10 a.m., featuring Dennis Gwizdala. Dennis has appeared on national TV and radio with many gospel music groups.

Church to host guest minister

The Burning Bush Tabernacle will be hosting the ministry of Rev. Gil Howard-Browne from Tampa, Fla., from Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. through Sunday, Dec. 16 at 11 a.m. Each evening meeting will be at 7 p.m. For more information, call Pastor Patty Petrie at 348-6823. The public is welcome and encourage to attend.

Garden Club to meet

Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will meet on Thursday, Dec. 13 at 7 p.m., at Michelson Memorial Church. Flowers by Josie will demonstrate holiday decorations using fresh flowers and greenery. There will also be a cookie swap. For more information, call 348-8519.

Cake and Cookie Auction to be held

Cub Scout Pack 3993 will hold their annual Cake and Cookie Auction to benefit the Baby Closet on Saturday, Dec. 15, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Questions, call cubmaster at 350-2811.

Band Boosters to hold meeting

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters meeting will be held on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7 p.m., in the Grayling Middle School Band Room. Parents of band students are encouraged to attend and become involved in activities that support the instrumental music program for all Grayling schools.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Michigan's muzzleloader deer season begins

hunting.

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son dates and bag limits, go

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The Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters that the 2012 muzzleloader season for deer opened Dec. 7 in Zone 1 (Upper Peninsula) and Zone 3 (southern Michigan). The season runs for 10 days in the U.P. and 17 days in southern Michigan.

The 2012 muzzleloader season in Zone 2 (northern Lower Peninsula) runs from Dec. 14-23.

Hunters must possess appropriate licenses. Either a firearm deer license or combination deer license is required to take an antlered buck. An antlerless deer license is required to take antlerless deer. Antler point restrictions and baiting restrictions that applied in earlier seasons remain in effect.

Only hunters with a certified disability may use a crossbow or a modified bow during the muzzleloader season in the Upper Peninsula. This restriction applies to the Upper Peninsula only.

All deer hunters are required to wear hunter orange during muzzleloader



DNR announces change to burn permit call system

The Department of Natural Resources announced that starting Dec. 7, residents in the Upper Peninsula and the northern Lower Peninsula who call the DNR's toll-free number to check if burn permits are being issued will be connected with a new, automated, interactive voice-recognition system.

Bill O'Neill, chief of the DNR's Forest Resources Division, said the cost-saving system allows users to identify their burning location through speech or touch-tone entries. The information will processed, and if conditions are favorable, burn permit issuance will be confirmed. The automated system will also inform callers if any burn restrictions are in place for that day.

"The new system will speed up the permit process, yet continue to provide users the guidance needed to complete their burns safely," said O'Neill, who also serves as state forester. "The savings from this switch allow us to channel much-needed funding into programs that are necessary to keep our forests healthy, viable and attractive to residents and visitors alike. We'd like to thank those who loyally use our online and telephone burn permit systems to ensure they are conducting safe burns."

Residents are required to check if the DNR is issuing

burn permits before conducting any open burning – recreational campfires and fires used for cooking are the exceptions to this rule.

Paul Kollmeyer, DNR fire prevention specialist, said burn permits are especially important with residents doing final yard cleanup before heavy snowfall.

"Burning yard debris requires more than a rake and a match," Kollmeyer said. "Carelessness remains the leading cause of wild-fires in Michigan, which is why precautions need to be taken. Ensuring that burn permits are being issued before you light a fire is a quick, easy and free process that can prevent fires from escaping if burn restrictions are in place."

The DNR encourages residents with Internet access to visit www.michigan.gov/burnpermit to get their burn permits online. Residents can use the interactive map to find the burn conditions in their area. If a "yes" is shown in the "burning permits issued" column, burning is allowed for that day. There is no need to print anything; this serves as a burn permit. For those who prefer to get their burn permits by phone, the DNR's toll-free burn permit number is 866-922-2876.

For more information on wildfire prevention, burn permits and fire preparedness, visit www.michigan.gov/preventwildfires.

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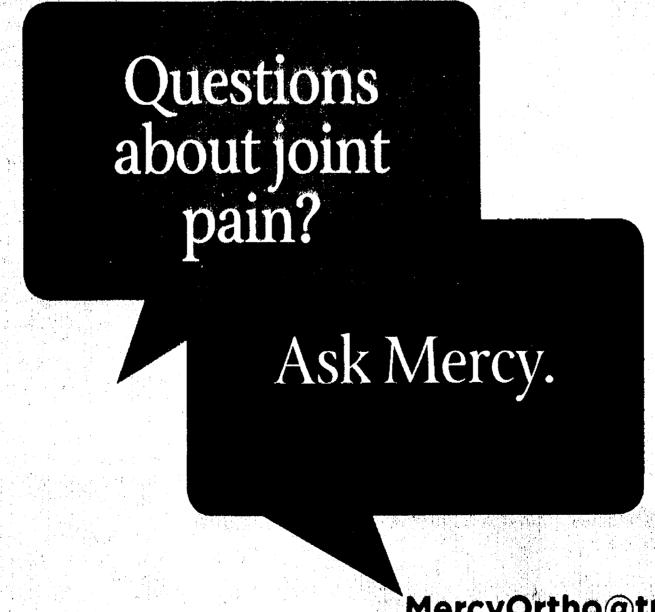
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Silence Jesus???

As Christmas approaches the Atheists and Secularist accelerate their attacks upon any public mention of our Lord Jesus Christ. Historical revisionist would remove all mention of Christ and Christianity from the very foundation of our nation. Our heritage of faith is being gradually removed from the eyes, ears, hearts and minds of our youth.

The Mayflower Compact was the first civil document penned by our forefathers before setting foot on these shores, and they dedicated the future of this country to the glory of Jesus Christ. When our forefathers fought the revolutionary war. They repeatedly claimed to have "No King but Jesus." Our Declaration of Independence ascribed all our unalienable rights to our creator God.

At the drafting of the U.S. Constitution in the summer of 1787, following weeks of inability to agree upon a final draft, eighty-one year old Benjamin Franklin stood and challenged our leaders with these words: "I have lived, sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth: that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without his notice, (Jesus' words in Matthew 10), is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid? We have been assured, sir, in the Sacred Writings, that 'except the Lord build the House, they labor in vain that build it.'(Psa. 127:1) I firmly believe this ... I therefore beg leave to move that henceforth prayers imploring the assistance of heaven, and its blessing on our deliberations, be held in this assembly every morning." From that very day our long tradition of prayer before starting each session of the U. S. Senate and House has continued.

As Thomas Jefferson said, "God who gave us life gave us liberty. And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the gift of God?....Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that his justice cannot sleep forever."

President Abraham in Lincoln said Proclamation for a National Day of Fasting, Humiliation, and Prayer on April 30, 1863: "We have been the recipients of the choices bounties of heaven. We have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers. wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us! It behooves us then to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins and to pray for clemency and forgiveness." It is a very deceitful and deadly thing to discredit or deny the name of Jesus Christ.

Jesus warned us in Mark 8:38 that whosoever is ashamed of Him and His words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of Him also shall He be ashamed when He comes again in His glory!!! Pastor "B'

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Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 91 complaints the week of Dec. 3 - 9.

One suicide, 11 general non-criminal complaints, two delinquent minors, three false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct first-degree-penetration, one assault /intimidation/stalking, one larceny, one larceny-from yard, one larceny-other, one fraud, one damage propprivate property, one damage to property, one marijuana possess, one resisting officer, two disorderly conduct, three public peace/disorderly, one anarchism, one operating under the influence, one operating with bac of .17% or more, four operating while intoxicated, two portable signal preemption device, two health and safety, one smuggle contraband into prison, one misc. criminal offense, 12 miscellaneous arrests, 16 traffic accidents, four traffic violations-civil infractions, one traffic safety public appearance, five investigations-family trouble, six suspicious situations, and one reckless driving.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future.

Births

Miranda and Rodney of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Avery Claire, born at Mercy Hospital on November 27, 2012, at 3:07 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 9 ozs., and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length.

60th Wedding Anniversary



Joanne and Carlton Mead

Carlton and Joanne Mead of Roscommon, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their family during a luncheon at Fred's in held Roscommon.

The former Joanne Failing of Grayling and her Carlton husband Roscommon were married on November 26, 1952 in Roscommon.

The couple has three

children, Becky and Lyle Barnes of Roscommon, Rusty and Laura Mead of Roscommon and Cathy and Alwildo Rivas of Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Mead also have six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Joanne's parents are the late Rolla and Fern Failing of Grayling. Carlton's parents are the late Russell and Kate Mead of Roscommon.

Library News

Family Movie Matinee will be held at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 1:30 p.m. Disney's PIXAR presents "Brave" rated PG; 100 minutes long. Follow the heroic journey of Merida as she discovers the true meaning of being brave when she has to a undo beastly curse...before it's too late! Sign up.

The Crawford County Library Literary (C.C.L.L.) Book Club will be meeting a week early at Devereaux

Memorial Library on Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 5 p.m. This month's book is "A Prayer For Owen Meany" by John Irving. Discussion lead by book club member Patty Hawkins.

"Twas' the Week Before Christmas" and the librarians have set an elaborate trap to catch the big man himself at Devereaux Memorial Library! Loyal children are needed to thwart plans to jail St. Nick on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 6:30 p.m. Families can join in to help rescue Santa, so wear your p.j.'s and enjoy songs and stories.

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You can shed tears that he is gone, or you can smile because he lived. You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left. Your heart can be empty because you can't see him, or you can be full of the love that you shared. You can turn your back on tomorrow and live for yesterday, or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday. You can remember him and only that he is gone, or you can cherish his memory and let it live on. You can cry and close your mind, feel empty and turn your back or you can do what he would want -Smile, open your eyes, live, love and go on.

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered, wife, Sammy; children, grandchildren and friends

Obituaries

Geraldine Schroeder

Geraldine (Gerry) A. Schroeder, 75, of Grayling, passed away Saturday, December 8, 2012.

Gerry was the daughter of Harry Botruff and Bernice Bergy (Botruff) and was born to them in Lowell, April 20, 1937. She graduated from high

school in Ionia in 1955. She attended one year at Western Michigan University.

She married Bruce Schroeder in 1956 and made their home in Howard City. They were married for 56 years. She became the mother

of two boys Craig and Paul. Gerry worked at Howard City Plaza as sales manager and retired in 1990 and moved to Grayling. She became a member of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, sang in the choir with Bruce and was very active in the Crawford County Christian Help Center.

Gerry will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her. Gerry is survived by her

husband, Bruce Schroeder; two sons, Craig L. (Joan) Schroeder of Hickory Corners, and Paul A. (Sarah) Schroeder of White Cloud; and grandchildren: Michael Schroeder, Jennifer Knopsnyder Paul (Schroeder), II, Jacob Schroeder Ryan Schroeder, Rito Schroeder, Erika Adrienne (Schroeder), and Luke Schroeder, Schroeder.

Gerry is preceded in death by both parents Harry Botruff and Bernice Botruff.

In celebration of Gerry's life, there is going to be a memorial service held at a later date at the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church, Service details will be posted.

Condolences can be made at sorensonlockwood.com.

Arrangements entrusted Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Robin Kesteloot

Robin Renee Kesteloot of Grayling died Nov. 28. Cremation has taken place. A private family service was held. The family chose Life Story Funeral Home, Traverse City to handle the cremation.

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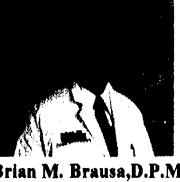
Cooley Law School

Robert Haertel, formerly of Grayling, who attended Grayling High School and Kirtland College, recently completed Mediation Training at Thomas M. Cooley School of Law. This is a voluntary certification which is separate from that of attorney, but which law students may still take for credit towards their Juris Doctor. He is scheduled to complete the Juris Doctor in May 2013.

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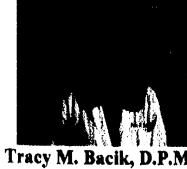
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To help fund youth art classes at the AuSable Artisan Village the Grayling Kiwanis Club made a presentation of \$400 during the Thursday night Holiday After Hours held at the gallery. Above, left to right: Dr. Suzanne Toupin, member of the Grayling Kiwanis Club; Ruth Hankins, member of the education committee of the AuSable Artisan Village; and Lynn McConnell, member of the Grayling Kiwanis Club, are pictured making the presentation.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activi-

Friday, Dec. 14 - Lunchbreaded cod, boiled red skins, broccoli and a banana. No Dinner 10 a.m. Card Golf, 12 p.m. Frederic/Maple **Forest** Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo and Pool - 9 Ball.

Monday, Dec. 17 - Lunch Polish sausage, sauerkraut, corn and an orange. Dinner - spaghetti with meat sauce, wax beans, asparagus, breadstick and grapes. 10 a.m. quilting, 12:30 Beginning Clogging, 1 p.m. Bridge, 1:30 Clogging, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Tuesday, Dec. 18 - Lunch - Swedish meatballs with rice, Brussels sprouts and peaches. Dinner - beef stew, green beans, biscuit and an orange. 10 a.m.

Bible Study and Zumba Gold, 1 p.m. Euchre, 2 p.m. Karaoke at The Brook, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Dec. 19 -Lunch - beef tips and noodles, peas, cauliflower and pears. Birthday Dinner baked chicken, oven roasted potatoes, stewed tomatoes, plums and cake and ice cream. 10 a.m. line danc-1 p.m. pool, Wii Bowling and Mahjong, 2:30 p.m. COA Board Meeting, 5 p.m. Glen's Birthday Dinner.

Thursday, Dec. 20 Lunch - pork riblet sandwich, cole slaw, baked beans, watermelon and pudding. Dinner - beef burrito. lettuce, tomato, fiesta rice, corn and peaches. 10 a.m. crafting and Pokeno, 1 p.m. UNO Attack, UnLucky 7's, 2 p.m. Christmas Music concert.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

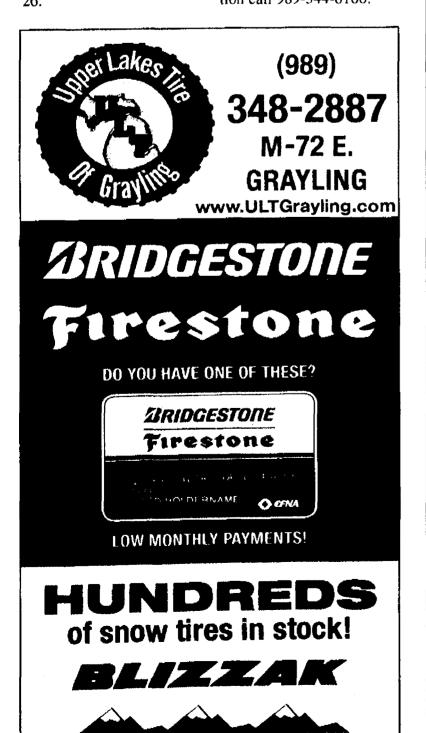
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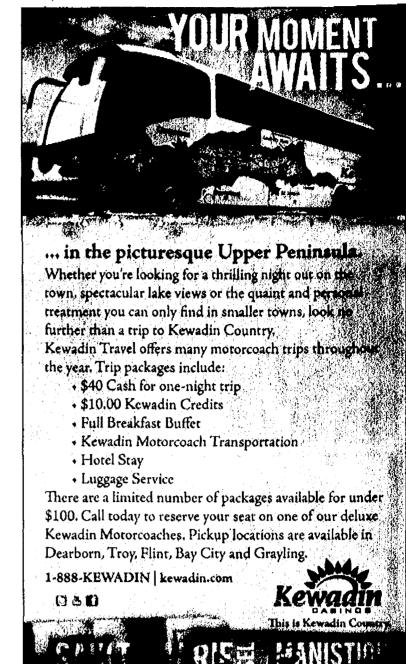
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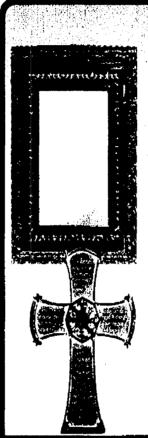
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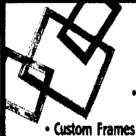
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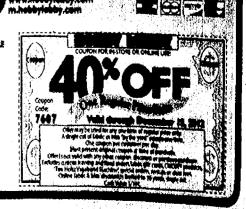
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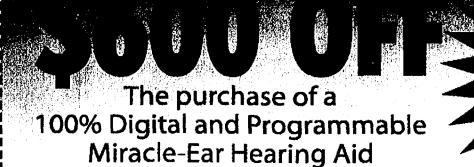






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Number of graduate students dips in Michigan

by Edith Zhou Capital News Service

LANSING - U.S. graduate schools saw a 1.7 percent dip in enrollments of firsttime students between fall 2010 and fall 2011, marking the second consecutive year of slight decreases, according to a recent national

report. The main reasons for the decline can be attributed to the economic cycle and policy changes.

Overall, according to the survey, more than 441,000 students began graduate studies in fall 2011. Firsttime enrollment in master's and certificate programs declined 2.1 percent, while doctoral programs enrolled 0.5 percent more new students.

According Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan, 67,711 graduate students are enrolled in 15 public universities in the state, which is a slight decrease of 0.8 percent compared to last year, Nine of the 15 universities had fewer graduate students

At Central Michigan University (CMU) for example, more than 1,800 graduate students enrolled last year, about 45 fewer than in fall 2011.

Patricia Farrell, director of university outreach and policy research at the Presidents Council, said many enrollment changes are caused by the economic cycle and state or federal policies.

"For example, when the No Child Left Behind program was implemented, teachers needed advanced degrees, so colleges of education were overflowing, but now these colleges are seeing low graduate enrollments due to new federal and state policies on different degree requirements that teachers need."

Two more examples of graduate fields affected by the economy are engineering and business.

"A few years ago, when we had the automobile manufacturing downturn, the automakers quit sending their engineers back to college for advanced degrees, so some universities with expertise in engineering saw lower enrollments," Farrell

Farrell said enrollments at graduate schools influence the local economy but it is more likely that regional institutions such as CMU will take a hit versus schools Michigan University, University of Michigan and Wayne State University.

"Regional institutions are keys to the local and state economy. Schools like MSU and U of M educate more graduates who leave the state or return to their home country," she said.

The report shows that business and education saw the largest increases in admissions offers. Strong gains were also seen in social sciences and psychol-

Wei Zhou, director of the Office of Institutional Research and Planning at CMU, said that there are currently 563 international students with 90-95 percent of them in graduate programs. Most are from China.

Zhou said that number is smaller than the previous year and in the long run, the lack of international students does influence the school.

"A 4 percent decrease doesn't matter, but we are now looking for more international students because the in-state market is saturated and Michigan's population is declining. So we have to reach out to both out of state and foreign countries," she said.

Farrell said, "International students will have more economic impacts because most of them pay out-of-state tuition, which give universities more revenue. And their housing, auto and health care also influence the local economy.

However, Debra Stewart, the president of the national Council of Graduate Schools based Washington, D.C., said that 2012's growth of international applications remains uncertain. The council did the study.

"Given the current global economy and increasing global competition for talent, we must continue our efforts to attract students from countries where numbers of student applicants are slowing, as well as those such as Brazil and China, where there is renewed momentum to pursue graduate study in the U.S," she

Based on the study, interest in pursuing graduate degrees remains high and continues to grow despite the overall decline in firsttime enrollments.

The report showed a 4.3 percent bump in applica-

tions between fall 2010 and fall 2011. Institutions that participated in the annual survey reported nearly 1.88 million graduate applications across all fields of

Engineering, business and social and behavioral sciences accounted for the largest numbers of graduate applications.

Stewart observed that the gap between growing applications and dropping enrollments should be seen as a call to action.

"Graduate education is a cornerstone of a thriving, highly-skilled workforce, and a graduate degree holds out lifetime benefits for individual students.

"While the 1.7 percent decrease in first-time enrollment is not dramatic, the fact that we are now in the second year of reversed growth is a sign that we must respond with strong investments in graduate programs and student funding," she said.



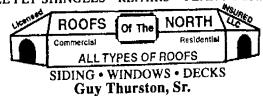




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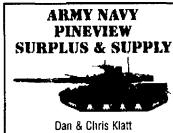
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Beer, wine may be sold at small stores near you

by Lauren Gibbons Capital News Service

LANSING — Proposed changes to Michigan's alcohol licensing regulations have some residents up in arms, but supporters say those in the business of selling booze could benefit from looser requirements.

The Office of Regulatory Reinvention's Liquor Control Advisory Rules Committee has recommended changes to the Liquor Control Commission in hopes of making regulations more business-friendly and easier to comply with.

The committee of business owners and citizens is part of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and was created to address discrepancies between an aging framework of liquor control and the realities of modern sales and consumption, said Phil Hendges, an attorney Office

Regulatory Reinvention.

One aspect of the plan would let more gas stations and convenience stores sell alcoholic products by easing liquor control standards

Currently, the Liquor Control Code mandates convenience stores and gas stations to maintain an inventory of \$250,000 or more excluding gas or alcoholic beverages — to be eligible for a liquor license.

According to the office, such a requirement places an unnecessary burden on such operations, and the advisory committee recommended lowering the inventory requirements to \$50,000.

Under the proposal, the stores affected would be able to sell only beer and wine, not hard liquor.

Hendges said the framework of alcohol regulation is outdated and could use a revamp to encourage more business activity and provide

more alcohol outlets

"It's an area where the basic regulatory framework dates from 1933 — it's very complex and not really suited to the modern marketplace in many respects," he said. "The committee determined the mere presence of gas pumps didn't cause any great risk or problems than for a store that did not have them."

Any stores that apply for licenses under the proposed change would still be subject to the same standards as other retailers selling alcohol, he said

While the proposed change may be good for some businesses, representatives of some family-owned liquor operations say they are concerned it would hurt local communities. Some owners addressed the commission at its recent public hearing to voice such con-

Mike Lashbrook, president of the Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, said the current system creates an atmosphere where independent retailers, distributors and brewers can thrive.

Changing that system could upset the balance and cost communities jobs and variety, he said.

"In the state of Michigan, the system lets the small guys compete whether it's at the retail, distribution or manufacturing level," Lashbrook said. "If you change it, it's going to allow mega-suppliers and brewers to start essentially buying the system."

Lashbrook also said the association is concerned law enforcement agencies could have more difficulties regulating alcohol in convey nience stores and gas stations to keep the public safe,

"It's a unique substance it needs to be regulated at a higher standard than a box of cornflakes or a bag of potato chips," he said. "Public health and safety should be the highest priority.

The commission has not made a final decision, said Andrea Miller, its press con-

Hendges said any changes are a long way away because the process is just beginning, and any substantial modifications would have to go through the Legislature.

Births

Monica and Joshua Gildner, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Rae, born at Mercy Hospital on December 5, 2012, at 3:34 a.m., weighing 7 lbs., 15 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

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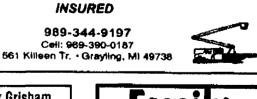
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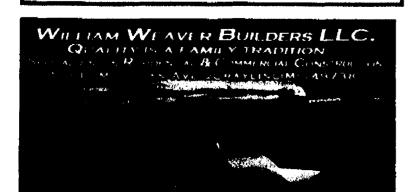
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Above, foster mother Peggy Stieger of Grayling and her children Johnathan, Samantha and Ashley enjoy a visit with Santa at a holiday celebration. Stieger adopted the former foster children in June.

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Dispute resolution program for water depletion pushed

by Lauren Gibbons Capital News Service

LANSING

Agricultural industries and well owners throughout Michigan both rely on the groundwater flowing deep beneath the earth.

depletion can render smaller wells useless - unsurprisingly, disputes result.

The problem is not new, legislators and representatives of rural industries say, but as agriculture expands, conflicts are expected to become more prevalent.

Both sides say solutions can come from some kind of state-sponsored mediation program, but time is running out to reinstate such a program in place this year.

Budget constraints and a belief that existing legal solutions to the disputes are sufficient nixed an aquifer protection program that was in place from 2003 to 2009, said Maggie Datema, director of the office of legislaaffairs at the Department of

Environmental Quality (DEQ).

The program, put in place to assist property owners who believed their wells and groundwater levels were harmed by neighboring water use, ran through DEQ and resolved most cases brought before a civil suit was deemed necessary, Datema said.

The department has received about 107 complaints since the program ended, Datema said, and only 53 were resolved out of court.

Rep. Kurt Damrow, R-Elkton, told the House Natural Resources, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation Committee that the defunct program offered benefits for all involved in groundwater disputes and is necessary for agricultural industries.

"This is something that worked. It worked extremely well, and we need it," he said.

Alternative mediation tactics are increasingly common throughout the country as viable options for dispute resolution, said Doug Van Epps, director of the Office of Dispute Resolution at the Michigan Supreme Court.

In Michigan, agricultural disputes generally come up most often in the west and northeastern areas of the Lower Peninsula, he said.

Particularly with land and In some cases, reservoir natural resource disagreements, Van Epps said involving a mediator or implementing a specific program could help to make sure all interested parties not just the landowners are comfortable with the outcome.

"When you're talking about groundwater, you've got people other than just the neighbors with an interest in this issue," Van Epps said. "Local and state officials manage groundwater issues as well, and it's key to involve them in the process."

Sen. John Moolenaar, R-Midland, proposed legislation to reinstall the program earlier this year. The measure passed unanimously in the Senate in November, but

has not passed the House and is in danger of falling through the cracks in the lame duck session.

The problem will continue to grow if an effective means of settling disputes is not implemented, said Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Director Clover Adams.

As the agriculture industry in Michigan continues to expand north, more farmers of crops such as potatoes will require water for irrigation, Adams said

Other farmers are implementing irrigation as insurance in the wake of recent crop failures and damaging weather patterns, Adams said residents with wells should have a means of communication with nearby farmers should their groundwater use cause disagreements.

"We have some concerns, but the agricultural community is going to be on the front line with support of this program," she said. "We need to balance the needs of agriculture with the needs of rural citizens — protect our rural residents and protect what's needed to feed the general population."





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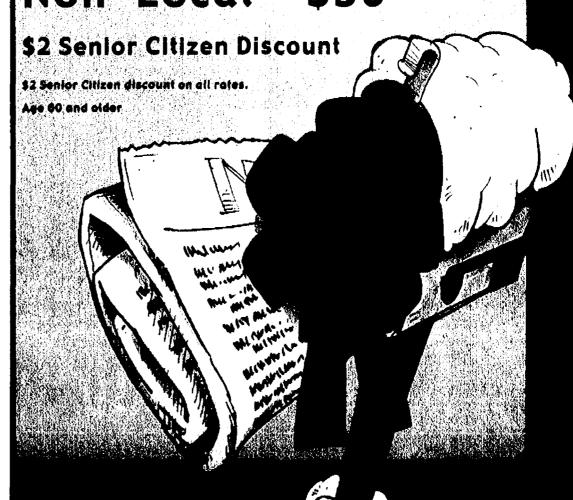


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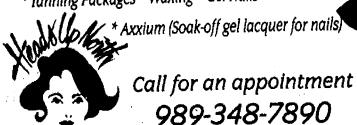
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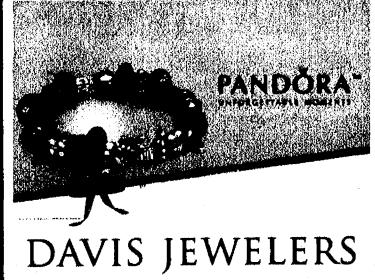


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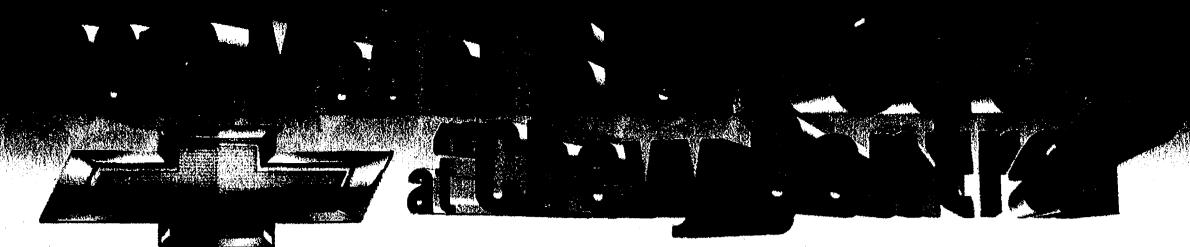




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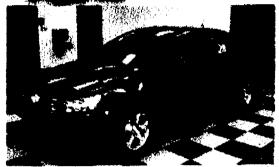
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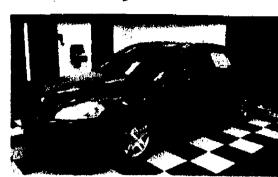
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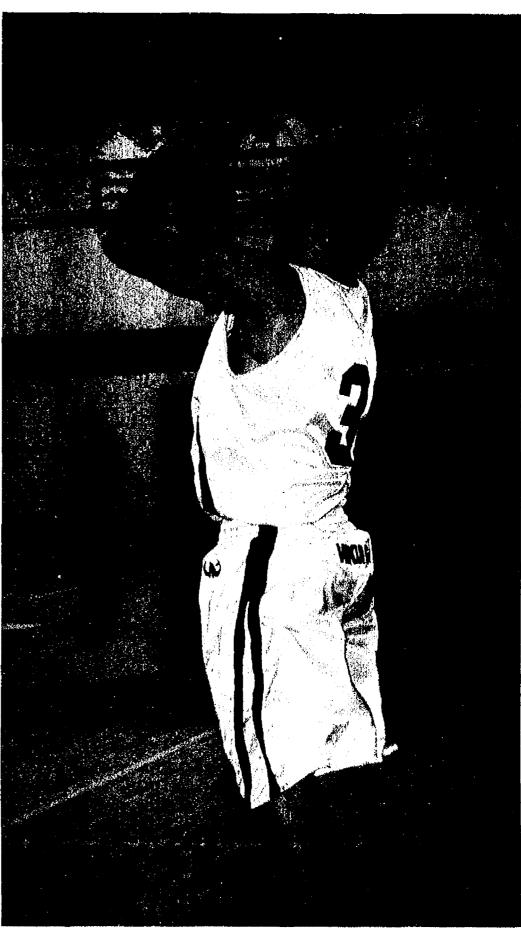
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Vikings hit 10 three-pointers in 65-35 victory vs. Roscommon

L I was very pleased with the defensive intensity that our team showed in this game. We had a number of topnotch performances. Jake Swander and Scott Parkinson did a great job of stretching the (Roscommon) defense by hitting some long range threes."

> RICH MOFFIT Varsity Boys Basketball Coach



Jake Swander, above, shoots a three-pointer on Tuesday during Grayling's season opener, a game the Vikings won 65-35. Scott Parkinson, top left, takes a shot from three-point range during the first quarter of Tuesday's game vs. Roscommon. Parkinson and Swander each hit five three-pointers during the contest.

by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings scored 30 of their 65 points with 10 three-pointers – five by Scott Parkinson and five by Jake Swander – during last Tuesday's varsity boys basketball game vs. the visiting Roscommon Bucks, a contest that the Vikings won by 30, 65-35. It

was the season opener for both teams.

Grayling started the game with an 11-2 run, scoring 11 points with a three-pointer by Scott Parkinson, an inside shot by Jake Swander, an inside shot by Justice Junttila, a basket by Parkinson, and a drive by Swander. Wes Dean scored on an inside shot. Swander and Parkinson hit back-toback three-pointers.

The Vikings had a 20-10 advantage

at the end of the first quarter.

Swander converted on a three-point basket to start the second period. Junttila scored on an inside shot. Swander hit a three-pointer at the 4:45 mark. Tyler McClanahan made two free throws. Junttila drove to the basket for two.

Grayling led 32-18 at halftime. See VIKINGS HIT | Pg. 2B

Grayling wins JV, varsity games vs. **Benzie Central**

Grayling won both of its games this past weekend during the inaugural Tip Off Tournament – a two-day boys basketball event that pitted Lake Michigan Conference teams against Northwest Conference opponents in both JV and varsity contests. Page

Wrestling team starts year with two wins

Vikings defeat Gladwin, Houghton Lake on Wednesday

by Caleb Casey

Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling High School wrestling team opened its 2012-2013 season with two wins, defeating Gladwin and Houghton Lake in a four-team meet hosted by Ogemaw Heights High School on Wednesday.

Grayling started its season with a battle vs. the Flying G's of Gladwin. In the first weight class of the contest - 189 pounds -Jeff Myers won 10-8 (in overtime) for the Vikings. Logan Duvall (215) won by default. The Vikings led 9-0.

Gladwin won by pin in the heavyweight

division.

At 103, Kyle Birdsall won by default for Grayling. Jon Martin (112) pinned his Gladwin opponent in the first round. Neither team had a competitor at 120. Grayling led 21-12.

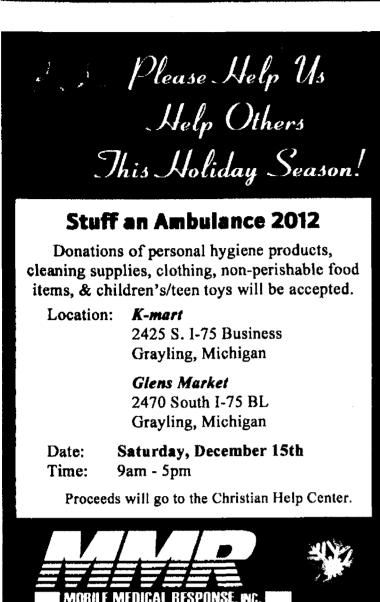
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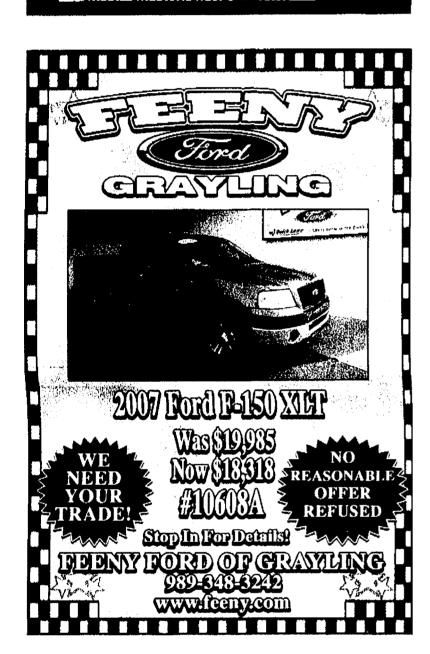


Jeff Myers (189) wrestles against a Gladwin opponent during last Wednesday's meet at Ogemaw Heights. Myers won by decision, 10-8, in overtime.

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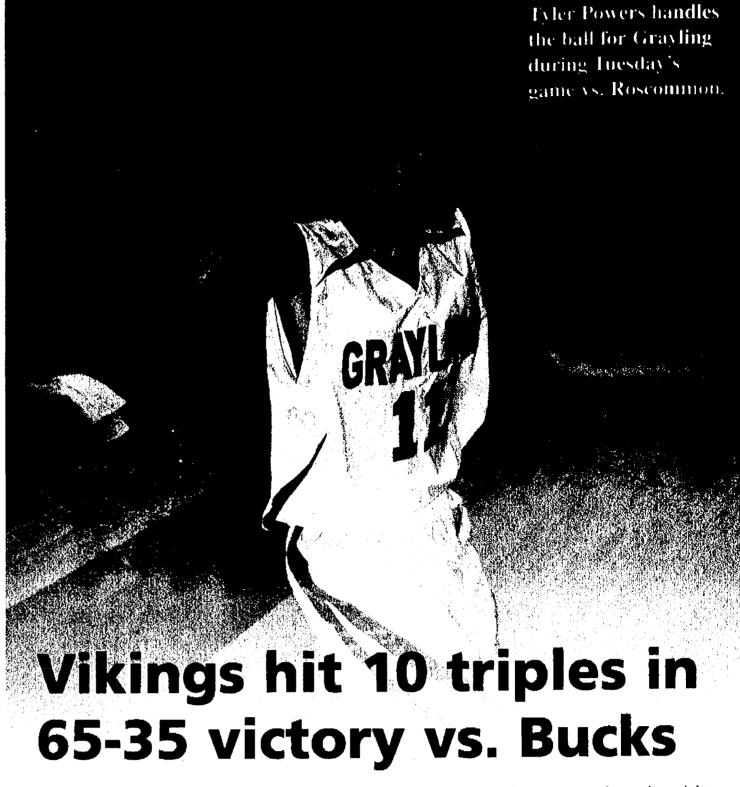


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GHS scored first in the third quarter with a jumper by Dean. Parkinson hit three more three-point baskets, scoring them at 6:53, 6:36, and 5:50 on the clock. Swander scored on a layup, capping a 13-0 run.

Parkinson hit one free throw. Peyton Zigila scored on an inside shot. Junttila made two free throws. Zigila scored the last two points of the third period with a jump shot.

At the end of the third quarter, the score was Grayling 52, Roscommon 27.

Roscommon 27.

Swander hit a three-pointer at the 6:38 mark. He made another three-point basket at the 5:32

mark. Michael Branch made one free throw. Tyler Powers scored for Grayling on a jump shot. Branch scored inside. Carson Burmeister made a lay-up in the final seconds.

The Vikings won by a final score of 65-35.

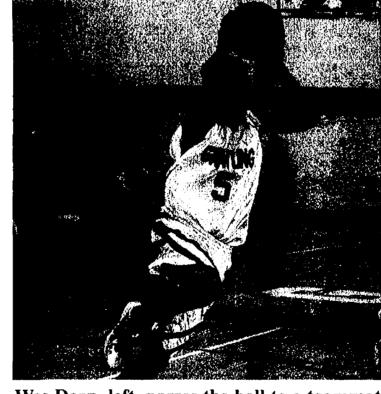
Swander finished with 22 points. Parkinson had 18 points and six rebounds. Junttila finished with eight points and five rebounds. McClanahan had eight assists and seven steals.

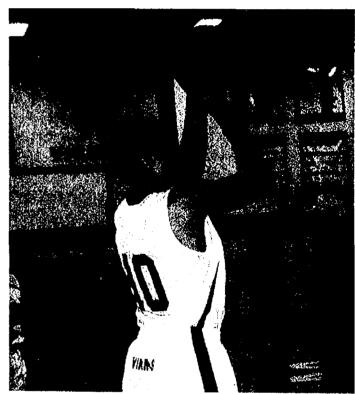
"I was very pleased with the defensive intensity that our team showed in this game," Coach Rich Moffit said. "Roscommon is picked to finish at the top of the (Jack Pine Conference) and

this was a good opening night challenge for us."

"We had a number of topnotch performances. Jake Swander and Scott Parkinson did a great job of stretching the (Roscommon) defense by hitting some long range threes. Tyler McClanahan was tremendous at the point. Wes Dean and Justice Junttila were solid in the paint," Coach Moffit said.

Grayling (2-0 overall, 0-0 league) will host Harbor Springs – a conference opponent – on Friday, Dec. 14. The varsity girls will play at 6 p.m. and the varsity boys basketball game will follow.





Wes Dean, left, passes the ball to a teammate during Tuesday's game vs. the Roscommon Bucks. Michael Branch, right, shoots the ball for Grayling on Tuesday night.

Grayling wins JV, varsity games vs. Benzie Central

Basketball teams each play one game in Tip Off Tournament

Grayling won both of its games this past weekend during the inaugural Tip Off Tournament – a two-day boys basketball event that pitted Lake Michigan Conference teams against Northwest Conference opponents in both JV and varsity contests.

On Saturday night, in the final game of the tournament, Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team defeated

Benzie Central 56-45 in a contest hosted by Kalkaska High School.

"This was a great test for our team. Benzie has some outstanding athletes and took it to us early in the game," Coach Rich Moffit said

"Our coaching staff was very pleased with the way that we played in the second half. Our defense was outstanding, holding Benzie to 16 points in the second half. We were able to slow down Benzie at the offensive end and created some topnotch scoring opportunities at the offensive end," Coach Moffit said. "Our guard play was outstanding. (Tyler) Powers and (Carson) Burmeister gave us some solid minutes off the bench. (Justice Junttila) and (Wes) Dean played solid defensively in the second half."

"Good team win," Coach

Moffit said.

Jake Swander had 20 points, six steals, and three assists. Scott Parkinson had 16 points, eight rebounds, and seven steals. Tyler McClanahan had 14 points and three assists. Junttila had six points and eight rebounds.

Grayling's JV team also won vs. Benzie Central on Saturday, defeating the Huskies 59-49

Huskies 59-49.
"We played a very athletic team in Benzie Central on

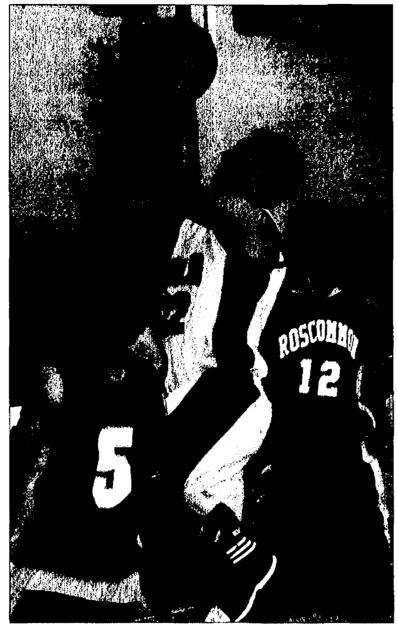
Saturday. They came out and pressured us early, and we did a great job of executing our offense. We had to make several adjustments defensively throughout the game, and our captains – (Jake) Hinkle, (Emmett) Helsel, and (Darin) Nicholas – did a great job of keeping our team's composure and focus," Coach Levi Burkett said.

Hinkle had 18 points and five rebounds for GHS. Helsel had a double-double with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Nicholas scored seven points. Scout Tobin had six points and five assists. Mason Papendick had five rebounds and four blocks. Tyler Wyman had six boards.

Grayling High School's boys basketball teams are now a combined 5-0 to start the 2012-2013 season (2-0 varsity, 2-0 junior varsity, 1-0 freshman).







Emmett Helsel, left, and Jake Hinkle, right, shoot the ball for the JV Vikings during last week's game against Roscommon.

JV squad starts year with 65-33 win at Roscommon

by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball squad won by 32 points in its season opener last Tuesday, defeating the visiting Roscommon Bucks 65-33 in a nonconference game.

Grayling, trailing 4-3 Stankovski also scored

early in the first period, Scout Tobin, Papendick, and

scored 10 unanswered points. The series included three baskets by Jake Hinkle, an inside shot by Tyler Wyman, and a jump shot by Gunner Metzer. Mason Tony

Roscommon 18-4 in the second period, feeding their offense with steals on defense. Tobin scored four baskets for the Vikings in the second period. Darin Nicholas scored on a lay-up and on an inside shot. Emmett Helsel, Zane Pittman, and Wyman also scored on inside shots. At halftime, the Vikings

had a 33-12 advantage.

The Vikings took a 50-25

Grayling scored 15 more points in the fourth quarter and won 65-33. Pittman, Metzer, Hinkle, Wyman,

points for the Vikings in the first quarter.

After eight minutes of regulation, Grayling led 15-

The Vikings outscored

Grayling opened the second half with a 15-1 run, scoring the first 11 points of the third quarter. The Vikings scored their 15 with two lay-ups and a threepointer by Tobin, two baskets by Hinkle, and two inside shots by Helsel.

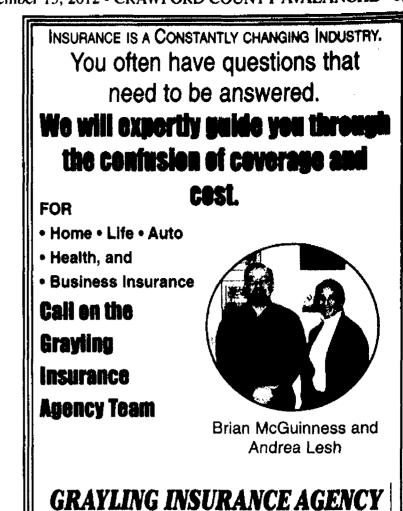
The Bucks outscored Grayling 10-2 in the last

lead into the fourth quarter.

and Papendick all scored for the Vikings in the final eight

minutes of regulation. Tobin finished with a team-high 17 points. Hinkle had 15 points. Metzer seven scored points. Pittman, Helsel, and Wyman scored six points apiece. Nicholas had seven steals. Hinkle and Tobin each had five steals. Wyman had nine rebounds. Tobin had three

The Vikings (2-0 overall, 0-0 league) will play at Harbor Springs Thursday, Dec. 13.



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3:15 of the third period. Tyler Wyman dribbles the ball for Grayling vs. the Bucks on Tuesday.

Freshman team wins 52-35

The GHS freshman boys basketball squad won 52-35 vs. the Roscommon Bucks in its season opener last Tuesday. The teams played the match at Grayling Middle School.

The Vikings led 20-17 at Grayling halftime. outscored Roscommon 18-6 in the third quarter to lead by 15 going into the fourth period.

"This was a great win to open the season. After a tight first half we really played a great third quarter. In the fourth quarter the team kept the pressure up, taking a commanding 52-28 Chris Coach lead," Kucharek said.

Pool League

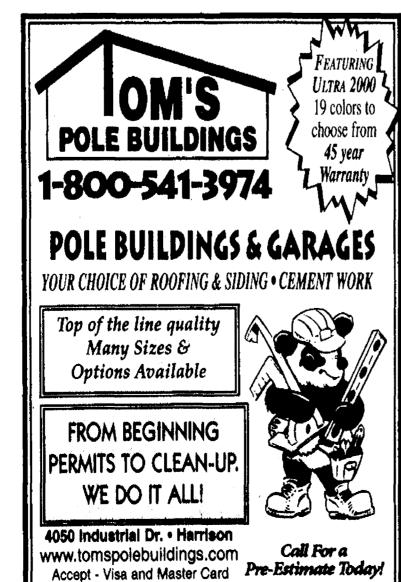
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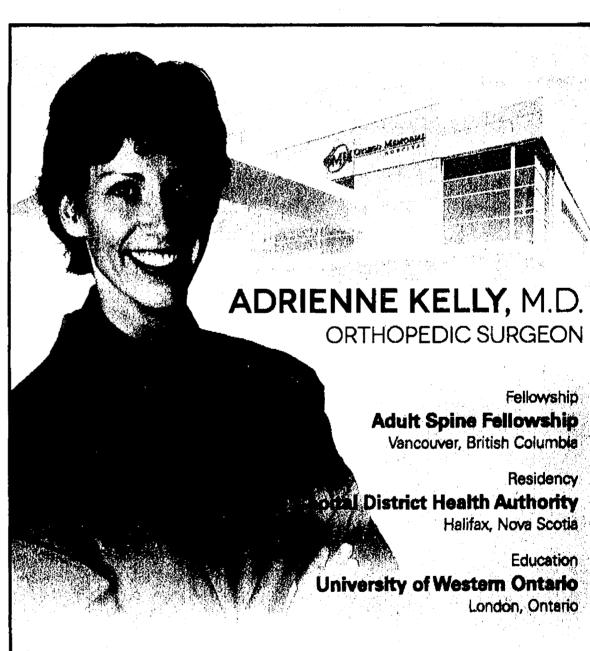
"The best part is 10 of our 11 players scored. This was a true team effort," Coach Kucharek said. "Player of the game (was) Nic Lalonde. I have never seen him play better."

Blake Gregory had 16 points and seven rebounds. Trent Hickman had eight

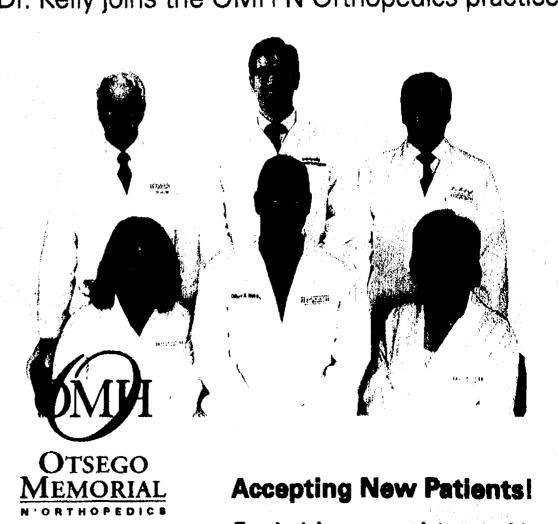
points and nine steals. Chandler Swiercz had eight points. Lalonde scored five points. Spencer Kent had four points and Andrew Benardo had four points.

The Vikings (1-0 overall, 0-0 league) will play at Elk Rapids on Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 5 p.m.





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Kyle Schmidt (125) battles a Gladwin opponent during last Wednesday's meet at Ogemaw Heights. Schmidt won the match by pin in the first round.

Wrestling team starts year with two wins

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Continued from Page 1B Kyle Schmidt (125) scored a pin in the first round for the Vikings. Gladwin won by pin at 130. Zack Cheney (135) pinned his Gladwin counterpart in the first round. The Flying

With four weight classes to go, the Vikings led 33-21. Michael Phipps won by pin at 145, giving Grayling a 39-21 advantage.

G's won a 7-4 decision at

Gladwin won by pin at 152 to pull within 12, 39-27, with two weight classes remaining.

Brandon Handrich (160), with an 11-8 victory, clinched a team win for Grayling. In the last bout of the match-up, Nick Petrie won an 8-6 decision for the Vikings.

The final score: Grayling 45, Gladwin 27.

"Good start," Coach Andy

Moore said. "I was pretty happy with the Gladwin match. The kids wrestled pretty good. Michael Phipps came through big with a pin. So did Kyle Schmidt. Kyle looked good tonight."

"That was quite a way to start out the season with that overtime match. Jeff Myers never disappoints. He always has an exciting match," Coach Moore said.

The Vikings defeated a short-handed Houghton Lake squad 66-10 in their second contest of the season. Only five of the 14 weight class featured contested matches,

Grayling won three of them. In the first weight class of the match-up - 215 pounds - Duvall won by pin in the first round for the Vikings. Mitchell Thompson (heavyweight), Birdsall (103), and Martin (112) all won by default. Both teams forfeited at 120. 4919877734

Schmidt (125), Cheney (130), Ghayge Toomey (135), and John Harris (140) all won by default.

Houghton Lake won an

18-8 decision at 145. Handrich pinned his opponent in the first round at 152. Darryn Labo (160) won by default. Petrie (171) pinned his Houghton Lake counterpart in the first round. The Bobcats won by pin in the last weight class of the match (189).

Grayling won 66-10.

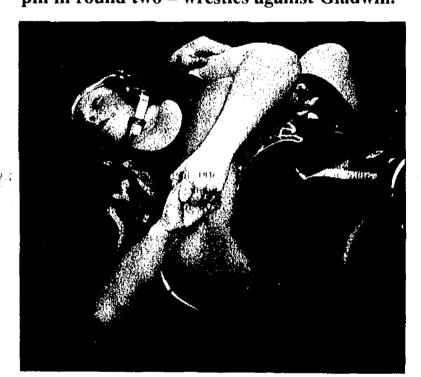
Coach Moore praised his team's overall performance and said he's looking forward to the rest of the sea-

"It was exactly what I wanted to see out of them tonight - a lot of fight, a lot of energy," Coach Moore said.

The Vikings will host a four-team meet at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 20.



Michael Phipps (145) – in a bout he won by pin in round two – wrestles against Gladwin.



Logan Duvall (215) works toward a pin vs. Houghton Lake on Wednesday.



Ghayge Toomey (140) wrestles against an opponent from Gladwin at Ogemaw.

GMS Boys Basketball

7th grade

The 7th grade boys basketball team from Grayling Middle School broke a two27-25 comeback win at Charlevoix on Monday.

"We started out the same as we had in the last two

the second half. They did a great job defensively and were able to produce enough offense to come out with a hard fought victory," Coach Craig Hofman said.

Nate Burmeister had eight points for Grayling. Jaden Gauthier had six points. Justin Nicholas and Trey Moffit had five points

The Vikings lost to Kalkaska (35-20) and Harbor Springs (38-28) in other recent games.

"We really just did not play well in either game. We had streaks of time where we showed we could have beaten both of those teams but the inconsistent defensive play - but even more so on the offensive end - just did not allow us to stay in the game or make a run at a comeback. Our free throw shooting in both games hurt us also," Coach Hofman said.





9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Bowling Leagues

Recreation League American Legion . .39 - 17 Ball Busters 37 - 19 R. Smith CPA... 31.5 - 24.5 Mercy Manor 27 - 29 Spikes......26.5 - 29.5 Grayling Nursing . 23 - 33 High Series: V. Harrington, 013; P. D'Amour, 500; G. Reichelderfer, 483. High Game: D. Hollis, 190; G. Reichelderfer, 189: D'Amour, 174.

Senior League Dana Transport....35 - 21 R & W. 30.5 - 25.5 Lone Pine 29.5 - 26.5 Flowers By Josie . . 29 - 27

Legion Lanes 26 - 30 Sylvester's Sports. . 25 - 31 Bear's Den Pizza . . 22 - 34 High Series Women: D. Hollis, 511; C. Clark, 473; H. Stairs, 424. High Game Women: D. Hollis, 180; P. Harris and B. Shippy, 161. High Series Men: D. Canfield, 564; B. Hollis. 540; M. Brown, 493. High Game Men: D. Canfield, 202; R. Hayes, 200; B. Hollis, 190. Thursday Morning Coffee Thanks a Latte. . 29.5 - 22.5 Eddie Cruisers 28 - 24 Snow Tops. 28 - 24 Bowling Buds. . . 24.5 - 27.5 Ladybugs - NOT . . . 23 - 29 High Series Women: C. Clark,

494; P. Harris, 481; H. Stairs. 439. High Game Women: C. Clark, 195; P. Harris, 176; M. Brosky, 165. High Series Men: B. Hollis, 591; D. Henning, 562; S. Johnson, 561. High Game Men: S. Johnson, 213; P. Faustman, 203; B. Hollis, 202. Friday Mixed Doubles

Don Nester. 62 - 29 G & B Rentals . . . 61 - 30 World of Floors. . . . 50 - 41 Dodi's Karaoke . . . 42 - 49 AJD 41 - 50 Legion 38 - 53 L & L Hauling 38 - 53 Swamp II 32 - 59 High Series Women: M. Becker, 495; B. MacKinnon. 466; P. Younglove, 464. High Game Women: B. MacKinnon, 203; M. Becker and N. Glasslee, 190. High Series Men: J. Hunt, 622; G. Mastroeni, 597; D. Canfield, 594. High Game Men: S. Green, 247; J. Hunt. 238; P. Faustman, 210.

Pioneer League Legion 38 - 14 T.C. Lawncare....31 - 21 Tim's Collision .28.5 - 23.5 Suburban Bolt....28 - 24 Pink Ladies . . . 19.5 - 32.5 High Series: T. Benardo, 539; J. Coors, 497; K. Moshier, 488. High Game: T. Benardo, 205; L. Golnick, 196; J. Coors, 183.

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Legal Action

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NOTICE AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT AND ANY OBTAINED INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Bradley A. Baker, A Single Man, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc (MERS) as nominee for Guaranty Residential Lending Inc, Mortgagee, dated the 28th day of October, 2004 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 2nd day of November, 2004 in Liber 672 of Crawford County Records, page

295, said Mortgage having been

55 minutes East, 140 feet, to the

bank of the East branch of the

AuSable River; thence South 48

degrees 20 minutes West (along

bank), 25 feet; thence South 20

degrees 49 minutes West (along

bank), 150 feet, to the Section line;

thence North 89 degrees 40 min-

utes West, 243.8 feet to the point of

beginning. This parcel extends to

the waters edge of the East branch

of the AuSable River. Commonly

known as: 4875 Warner Dr. Tax

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00 The redemption period shall be

six months from the date of such

sale, unless determined abandoned

in accordance with 1948CL

600.3241a, in which case the

redemption period shall be 30 days

from the date of such sale. Dated:

November 29, 2012 By:

Foreclosing Attorneys Attorney for

Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg &

Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield

Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084

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assigned to Green Tree Servicing LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Sixty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Five & 94/100 (\$68345.94), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of January, 2013 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 6.5% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the Northeast comer of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, thence South 200 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing South 300 feet; thence West 400 feet; thence North 500 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence East 200 feet to the point of beginning, Township of Frederic, Crawford County. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the eventthat the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 11/29/2012 Green Tree Servicing LLC Mortgagee FAB-RIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for Green Tree Servicing LLC 888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800 Troy, M1 48084 248-362-2600 GTAZ FNMA BakerBrad (11-29)(12-20) -29-6-13-20

NOTICE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHER-MAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILI-TARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JEANINE K. ROSSIO, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 24, 2007, and recorded on March 13, 2007, in Liber 685, on Page 684, and assigned by said mortgagee to RWLS IV HOLDINGS, LLC, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$99,373.77), including interest at 5.625% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 2, 2013 Said premises are located in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as: PARCEL NO. 7: A PARCEL OF LAND BEING PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 18, TOWN 28 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, MAPLE FOREST TOWN-SHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGN, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1 /4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION

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NOTICE IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE

BEEN IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1502. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Peggy Kish and Steve Kish, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GMAC Mortgage, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company formerly known as GMAC Mortgage Corporation, its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 24, 2007 and recorded August 28, 2007 in Liber 688, Page 304, Crawford County Records, Michigan, Said mortgage is now held by GMAC Mortgage, LLC successor by merger to GMAC Mortgage Corporation by assignment. Recorded on 10/5/2012 in Liber 710, page 758, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Ten and 67/100 Dollars (\$54,010.67) including interest at

6.475% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on 01/02/2013. Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and

are described as: Township of Grayling, County of Crawford Lot(s) 16, Madsen's Pines, according to the recorded

Plat thereof, State of Michigan The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278,

the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: November 29, 2012 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 File No. 703.2813

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

(11-29)(12-20)

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMA-TION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER **BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE** MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Glenda A. Jacobs, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to First Federal of Northern Michigan, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2009, and recorded on July 29, 2009 in Liber 696 on Page 929, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-One and 40/100

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 26,

Dollars (\$116,761.40).

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 10.01 acres of the South 50.05 acres of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of Section 3, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption

period. Dated: November 22, 2012 For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-

File #414168F01 (11-22)(12-13)

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by NANCY DUTTON, a single woman, whose address is 206 Kerry Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738, to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Rural Housing Service (also known as Rural

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Sandra Moore County Clerk/Register of Deeds

Development), United States Department of Agriculture, with an office being located at 1501 Cass Street, Traverse City, Michigan 49684, the Mortgagee, dated March 1, 2005 and recorded March 31, 2005 in Liber 674 of Crawford County Records on Page 457, said Borrower on the same date of March 1, 2005 having also executed an Assumption Agreement by which she assumed the prior Mortgage given by Roy J. Dutton and Nancy Dutton to the United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, such Mortgage being dated July 30, 1999 and recorded August 10, 1999 in Liber 488 of Crawford County Records on Page 27; and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due for principal, interest and other applicable charges, the sum of SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUN-DRED SIXTY-ONE AND 05/100 (\$63,161.05) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Wednesday January 9, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 6.0% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Lands and premises situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan:

Lot 30, PINE GROVE SUBDIVI-SION, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 58, Crawford County Records. (Commonly known as 206 Kerry Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738; Tax Code #20-040-45-660-00-030-00.)

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

For further information contact USDA, Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, 4300 Goodfellow Boulevard, Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, Missouri 63120, telephone 800-349-5097, ext. 4500.

§600.3278, if the above-described property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Pursuant to MCL

Dated: December 6, 2012

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Rural Housing Service (also known as Rural Development), United States of Agriculture, Department Mortgagee

By: Robert J. Zitta (P22749) Attorney for Mortgagee SCHEUERLE & ZITTA, LLP 300 Washington Avenue P.O. Box 212 Grand Haven, MI 49417 616-842-1470

-6-13-20-27

STATE OF **MICHIGAN** PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF** CRAWFORD **NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate**

FILE NO. 12-8045-DE Estate of William C Monks Jr Date of birth: Sept. 3, 1940

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The William Monks. decedent. deceased, who lived at 4110 Diamond Dr, Grayling, Michigan died Feb. 23, 2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Arlene James, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Date 5/5/12

Personal representative Arlene James 11413 W. Lotus Wichita, KS 67209 316-721-8963



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Notice of Public Hearing

The Crawford County Road Commission in conjunction with the Crawford County Transit Authority and the City of Grayling will be holding a Public Hearing December 20, 2012@10:00 a.m.

Meeting location shall be at the Crawford County Road Commission office in Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, Grayling, Ml. 49738-00648.

Purpose for the public hearing will be to address and approve the selection of proposed projects eligible for Federal and State aid funding.

Upon completion the Board will present the recommended proposed projects to the Regional Task Force for Consideration.

Additional information may be obtained from the Road Commission Office by phone (989) 348-2281 or fax (989) 348-6933.

Prepared for the Crawford County Road Commission, Crawford County Transit Authority and the City of

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



December 14, 1989 - GPA carolers (back row, left to right) Barb Hebekeusser, Deb Allen, Linda Stephens; (middle row) Donna LeValley, Norma Naour, Mo McNamara, Donna Thomson; (front row) D.J. Brown, April Weiler, Harry McEvers (hotel patron), Joyce Bourrie, Aggie Trudgeon, Linda Albee.

23 Years Ago

December 14, 1989

GHS junior varsity boys basketball players are Eric Bonamie, Chad Ormsbee, Aaron Raymond, Ken Bindschatel, Mark Brannon, Mark Andrus. Eric La Forest, Nick Hebekeuser, Scott Haas, Mike Kirmo, Chris Millikin (manager) and Butch Hayes is the coach.

Downhill skiing at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area began on Monday, Dec. 11. Recreation director Daniel Wyers reported that all eight slopes have a six to eight inch base of natural snow.

Melanie Ojala, GHS senior, was given honorable mention on the Associated Press All State Girls Basketball Team.

The Viking basketball team came home from Houghton Lake victorious Dec. 5, having beat the Bobcats 60 - 56. Abney led in baskets scored with 13 and 18 rebounds. Others points were made by Fraser 12 points, 5 steals and 3 assists; Branch 12 points, 12 rebounds and 7 assists; Doremire 8 points and 6 steals; Bonamie 6; Nicholas

5; and Annis 4. Ron Hellebuyck, of Grayling, won a men's 26 inch, 12 speed bicycle at the Mac's Drug Store Christmas Drawing.

46 Years Ago December 15, 1966

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alef and children have moved into the Clayton Allen home in the Riverside subdivision until their place at the lake is completed. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cramer have purchased the former Alef home at West AuSable Drive and moved this week.

By the order of the Liquor Control Commission, no sale of alcoholic beverage may take place after 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 until 7 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 26.

Northland Department Store in downtown Grayling women's Mohair has sweaters for \$3.99, all Butterick patterns are 10¢ and ladies ski jackets and

much too close to the

action to make a good

decision. A pet project

nears completion.

last time.

Give it your all one

ldle chitchat at work

tests your patience.

Something good will

come of it. A tickle of

the ivories breaks the

tension and gets the

There is such a thing

as too much planning,

Virgo. Throw caution

to the wind and fly by

the scat of your pants

for a change of pace

at an upcoming event.

party started.

Leave it be, Leo.

Week of December 9, 2012

June 22-

July 22

July 23-

August 22

August 23-

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

September 22

Hope and faith bring

you through a crisis

with support for

wraps up.

March 21-

April 19

April 20-

May 20

June 21

Show your gratitude

another, Aries. A home

improvement project

Joy fills your home

with the arrival of

friends and family

from afar. Pull out all

feel welcome, Taurus.

Listening is key this

attention to what is

said and left unsaid,

and the answer you

friend comes through.

seek will come. A

A test in courage

resumes.

the stops to make them

car coats reduced to \$5. 69 Years Ago

December 16, 1943

Lewis A. Rutkowski, 21, of Grayling, was one of three men of the 480th AntiSubmarine group of the Army Air forces awarded the Silver Star by Lt. General Carl Spaatz, commanding general of the U.S. Army Northwest African forces, for bravery in attempting to save the life of their navigator, after their plane was shot down at sea.

Last Friday in the opening game of the basketball season for Grayling, the local defeated quintet Roscommon Bucks 33 - 22 for their first loss in six starts.

92 Years Ago December 16, 1920

Anthony Trudeau has purchased the J.H. Horan garage. This will be operated by his two sons, Tony and Herbert. Both are excellent mechanics.

Eleven candidates were initiated into the Grayling Chapter, of the Eastern Star. They were Mrs. E.P. Richardson, Mrs. Hattie Cohen, Miss Ruth Brenner, Miss Mildred Bates, Miss Helen Giegling, Miss Helen Parr, Miss Bessie Brason, Miss Louise Salling, Mike Brenner and Phillip Moran.

Eager beaver you

may be, Libra, but

not everyone shares

your enthusiasm. Dial

it back a notch or two,

and the team will come

together.

Uh-oh, Scorpio.

You take charge of

your head nor your

heart is into. Lucky

is up to the task.

for you, someone else

Up for a little travel,

better be, as a loved

Sagittarius? You

one is setting the

plans into motion.

your camera.

Don't forget to pack

a project that neither

September 23-

October 22

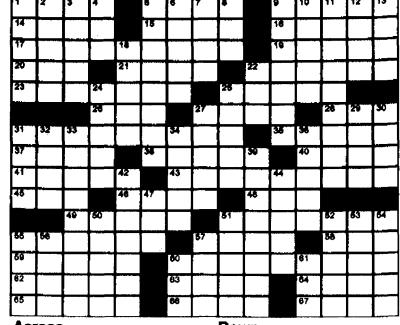
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December 21

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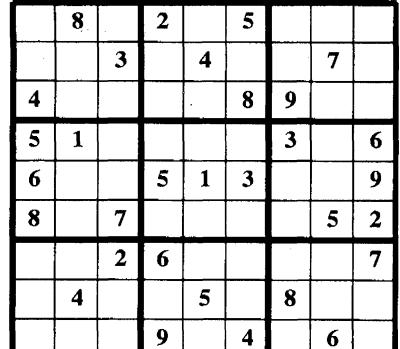
- 1. Gator's cousin
- 5. Hamster's home 9. Coffeehouses
- 14. 100 kurus 15. Building additions
- 16. Adult (2 wds)
- 17. Support paid by divorced spouse (pl.)
- 19. Star bursts 20. "Comprende?"
- 21. After-bath wear 22. Young haddocks split and
- boned for cooking
- 23. Course of study outline (pl.)
- 25. Absolute
- 26. "Aladdin" prince
- 27. Big game 28. Afflict
- 31. The final irritation 35. Small hand drum in India
- 37. "Thanks ___!" (2 wds)
- 38. Overhangs 40. Big loser's nickname?
- 41. Recipient of a gift
- 43. For a song (2 wds) 45. "Absolutely!"
- 46. "Cool!"
- 48. ___ v. Wade 49. Do-nothing
- 51. Advise
- 55. Resembling a pine cone
- 57. Think (over)
- 58. Get a move on
- 59. Kind of battery 60. Global
- 62. Moved back and forth while
- suspended from above
- 63. "... or ___!" 64. "Your turn"
- 65. Schoolteacher's disciplinary strap
- 66. "Cold one"
- 67. Cautious

Down

- 1. Category
- 2. Life of _____ 3. Architectural projection
- 4. Video maker, for short 5. Member of a religious
- community
- 6. Accused's need
- 7. Delight
- 8. Cousin of -trix
- 9. Musical performance without theatrical staging
- 10. Prior to, old-style
- 11. Pleasing
- 12. "Good grief!" 13. Attends
- 18. Certain exams
- 22. "__ Cried" (1962 hit) 24. Caffe ___
- 25. Ratty place
- 27. Lifeboat lowerer
- 29. Hip bones 30. Aladdin's
- 31. Disney dog 32. ___ vera
- 33. Daughters' husbands (hyphenated)
- O'Reilly on "M*A*S*H"
- 36. Bloodless 39. Leisurely walker
- 42. Blow up
- 44. "Things ____ be worse."
- 47. Moray, e.g.
- 50. ___ list (college)
- 51. Invoke misfortune
- 52. Hindu deity
- 53. Downy duck
- 54. Apprehensive
- 55. "Check this out!"
- 56. "Field of Dreams" setting
- 57. Blemish
- 60. Fly catcher

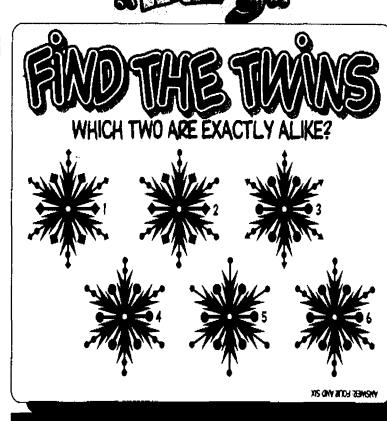
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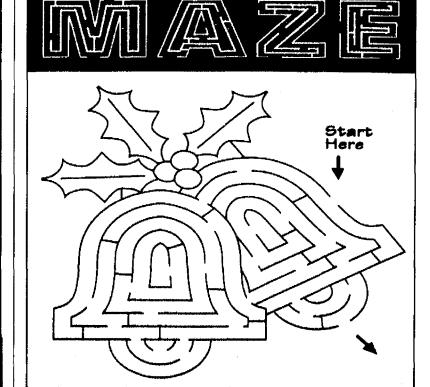
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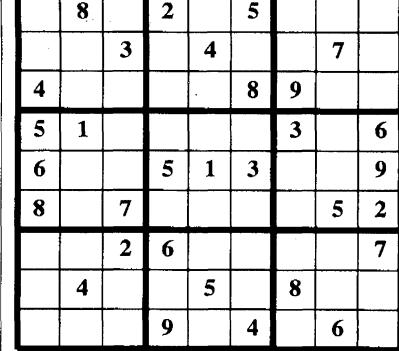






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is nothing you can't

do and do well. Your

inner circle expands,

much to your delight.

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most important and

send your best to the

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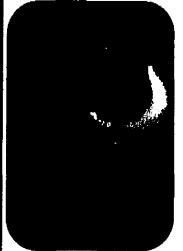
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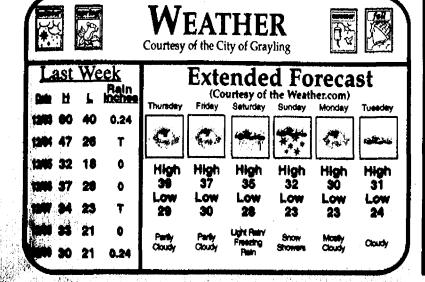


Brin

Brin is a very handsome 1 year old Lab mix. He has a wonderful brindled coat and a nice disposition. This guy is active and likes to play with other dogs. He will require some more training but has a good start on the basics. Brin has been neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped. He would love to have a home for the holidays!!

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Tiramisu Mousse Cheesecake

1/3 cup milk

coarsely grated

(about 1/2 cup)

1 pkg. (3.4 oz.) Vanilla

Flavor Instant Pudding

Topping, divided 1/2 square BAKER'S

16 fresh raspberries

Semi-Sweet Chocolate,

2 cups thawed Whipped

Ingredients:

40 Vanilla Wafers, finely crushed (about 1-1/3 cups)

3 Tbsp. butter, melted 4 pkg. (8 oz. each) Cream Cheese, softened, divided

3/4 cup sugar 6 Tbsp. brewed strong

Coffee, cooled, divided Directions:

HEAT oven to 325°F. MIX wafer crumbs and butter; press onto bottom of 13x9-inch pan.

BEAT 3 pkg. cream cheese, sugar and 1 Tbsp. coffee in large bowl with mixer until well blended. Add eggs, 1 at a time, mixing on low speed after each just until blended. Pour over crust.

BAKE 28 min. or until center is almost set. Cool completely.

BEAT remaining cream cheese in medium bowl with mixer until creamy. Add milk and remaining coffee; mix well. Add dry pudding mix; beat 2 min. Stir in 1-1/2 cups COOL WHIP. Spread over cheesecake; sprinkle with chocolate. Refrigerate 4 hours. GARNISH with remaining COOL WHIP and rasp-

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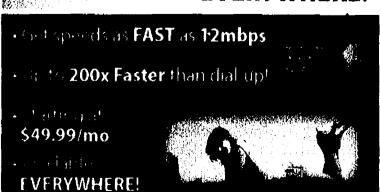
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